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To the Members of the 2020 Session of the 2019 General Assembly:

This publication contains summaries of all substantive legislation of general applicability and certain local legislation having general import from the 2020 Short Session. Most local acts are not analyzed in this publication. Significant appropriations matters related to the subject area specified also are included.

The document is organized alphabetically by subject areas. A bill index is at the end of the publication. A complete copy of the publication may be downloaded using the link "All 2020 Summaries by Subject."

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I hope this publication will provide a useful source of information for the members of the General Assembly and the public in North Carolina. We would appreciate receiving any suggestions for this publication's improvement.

Yours truly,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Jeff Hudson". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a long horizontal stroke at the end.

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